

## A DESPERATE RIOT.

Strikers Attack the Special Police at  
Shenandoah, Pa.

An Eventful Day in the History  
of the Reading Strike.

Non-Union Men Attacked by a Mob—The  
Coal and Iron Police Come to the Rescue  
and a Battle Enues—Four Strikers and  
Two Men Who Came to the Aid of the  
Officers Were Shot—Fighting from 5 Un-  
til 7 O'Clock—Great Excitement.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

SHENANDOAH, Pa., Feb. 4.—Yesterday was an eventful day in the history of the Reading strike. This town was the scene of a desperate riot last night, and six men were shot during a battle between the mob and the Coal and Iron police, who were protecting some non-union miners on their return from work. The riot lasted from 5:30 until nearly 7 o'clock, but the streets were lined with angry crowds until midnight.

About 5 o'clock in the afternoon a large number of the strikers gathered at the southern end of Main street, overlooking the road running to the Shenandoah City Colliery. They ranged themselves along the road and waited silently for the men at work in the colliery to come out. Lieut. Moyer and Officers Diebert, Krieger and Siane undertook the task of escorting the working miners from the breaker to the town.

When the miners came out, the officers escorted them up the road, and were met by shouting crowds of the strikers, followed by snowballs, lumps of coal and stones. When the little party, thus assailed, both from the front and rear, reached the Lehigh Valley Railroad tracks, Officer Krieger sprang forward and arrested a strapping big striker. As he grasped the prisoner the mob yelled like mad, and then tore the palms from a fence and rushed at the officers.

Up and down swung the clubs, rattling against the officers' heads. Lieut. Morgan getting the brunt of the clubbing.

In the melee the prisoner was rescued, then recaptured, and at last the police drew their revolvers.

When the pistols began to crack, the mob surged back and several strikers returned the fire.

About this time young Michael Heffron, who was aiding the police, was felled by a club, and, as he was rising, fell again, the blood streaming from his mouth and staining the trampled snow.

At the same moment, John Cather, also fighting for law and order, sank to the ground, and four strikers who were wounded ran off screaming with pain.

The volleys from the officers' revolvers scattered the mob in all directions, and the working miners ran to their homes and shut themselves up.

In the mean time Officer Krieger dragged his prisoner up to the police station. Siane, a maker, in the second story of a brick building on Centre street. In a few moments a mob of 1,000 men crowded into the street, smashing the windows with missiles of every description.

Led by a gigantic striker, another mob in the rear alley wrenched an iron railing from the building and attacked the office door. When the railing was broken, Siane, who had been hiding in the rear, sprang forward and, escaped by a rear exit. The mob then contented themselves with wrecking the office.

Special measures have been taken for defense, and it is not thought there will be any further trouble.

## ALL QUIET TO-DAY ON THE SURFACE.

MINUTE Could be Called to the Scene of Riot in a Few Hours.

READING, Feb. 4.—The reports this morning from the scene of last night's disturbances indicate that everything is quiet on the surface, but that another outbreak is likely to occur at any moment.

The force of special officers has been strengthened to-day, members of the Coal and Iron Police having been summoned from different points on the line of the Reading Railroad and Iron Police.

Should it be found necessary to invoke the aid of the military, the Fourth Regiment of the National Guard would probably be the first called into service, and it is composed of the best drilled companies in Berks, Lehigh and Northampton counties. Very few of the members are employees of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad. One company is stationed at Hamlet, only half an hour's ride from Pottsville and one hour from Shenandoah. The entire regiment could be on duty in a few hours.

The Reading Artillery, of this city, have 17,000 rounds of ammunition, being the best equipped company in that respect in the State. The citizens generally hope that there may be no further bloodshed.

## Molders Go Back to Work.

ELIZABETH, Feb. 4.—The molders in Graff & Co.'s stove works at this place, who have been on strike, returned to work this morning, the trouble having been amicably settled by a committee from the International Iron Molders' Union by arbitration. The men are to receive an advance of 20 per cent.

## Talk Among the Workers.

Pittsburg carpenters will demand an increase of 10 per cent. May 1st.

Peter Kelly was elected sergeant-at-arms of the Building Trades' Section last evening.

Some of the members of the Furniture Workers' Union No. 7 have organized a singing society.

The New York Drivers' Union has contributed \$25 to the "defense fund" of the Central Labor Union.

The Brewers' National Union has received from the Food Producers' Union a contribution of \$100 for the purpose of buying a new building.

The Malsters' Union has contributed \$25 to the Barbers' Union, and decided to see any of its members found dealing in card games.

The delegates of the Custom Tailors' Union have been instructed to urge upon the Central Labor Union to do its utmost to secure the repeal of the conspiracy laws.

Next Wednesday evening, at the Volke Garden, in the Bowery, a concert will be given in aid of the strike of gardeners. The Central Labor Union has taken 500 tickets.

At the next meeting of Parliamentarians' Union No. 7 a committee will bring in resolutions on the subject of the proposed International Labor Congress which is to be held in Europe. The union has been requested to send delegates.

It was reported in the Building Trades' Section last night that George Ringler, the brewer, was

employing non-union cement layers in his buildings in Ninth-street. The secretary was instructed to ask Mr. Ringler to employ union men.

Another meeting of persons in favor of the abolition of the revenue tax on tobacco at a cigar store was held last night at 2:30 o'clock, in Sullivan Hall, 55 Avenue D. Everett Hall has been engaged for Friday, Feb. 14, for a mass-meeting on the subject.

The meeting of the delegates to the Metal Workers' section is to be against John Morrison, of the carpet weavers, because of the signing of a circular condemning and maligning the character of the leaders of certain labor organizations and attacking the integrity of the societies.

The annual ball of the Cigar-Makers' International Union No. 114 will be held in Webster Hall on Saturday night, March 3. Secretary Dampf is Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements. He will be assisted by A. Jacoby, Secretary; J. Gompers, Treasurer; B. Coster, J. Davis and M. Goldsmith.

## AFTER THE BRID'S PRESENTS.

Thieves Make a Bold Attempt to Steal Valuable Wedding Gifts.

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MATAWAN, N. J., Feb. 4.—A bold attempt was made last night to rob the house of David G. Ryer, a New York merchant. Mr. Ryer's daughter was married on Wednesday. A good many hundred dollars' worth of her presents were in the house in a second-story room. The thieves were after this valuable booty. They entered the house by the veranda by cutting the blind.

Just as they were beginning operations William Samuel Hardy discovered them. Single-handed he wrestled with two of the thieves, but at length had to give it up. The thieves got away. They were undoubtedly professional thieves. They succeeded in taking with them some few pieces of silverware and an overcoat.

## COULDN'T SCARE HIS MOTHER.

William Rogers's Ingenious Plan Brings Him Before Justice Today.

William Rogers's mother locked him out of his home, at 214 East Ninety-eighth street, last night because he stayed out late. Then he wrote this note:

DEAR MOTHER: You have locked me out and I do not care to live, so goodbye. You will never see me again.

After showing this epistle under the door he went downstairs and began firing a revolver at the walls.

His mother didn't scare for a cent, but policeman Cayler arrested him for disorderly conduct.

Notwithstanding a pathetic remonstrance he was committed for five days by Justice Duffly at the Harlem Police Court this morning.

## THE PATTI SWINDLER.

Benson on Trial Before United States Commissioner Lynam.

The examination of Charles Benson, alias George Burton, who swindled the citizens of the City of Mexico by selling them bogus tickets for the Patti concert, took place today before United States Commissioner Lynam. Ex-Minister to Mexico Foster, who is at present legal adviser of the Legation at Washington, testified concerning the extradition laws of Mexico.

All the documents in the case were presented. A copy of the box-office receipts showed that Benson had collected \$18,344.50.

## Charges Against a Money-Changer.

Isaac Schaefer, money-changer, of 9 Broadway, and Jacob Levy, who solicits steamship passage in front of 20 Broadway, were arraigned in the Tombs Police Court today on a charge of larceny preferred by Mayor Hewitt. Miss Ellen Donnelly, who had bought a steamer ticket for Ireland, was induced in Levy to get her money changed at Schaefer's place. Schaefer then got \$10 less in change than she ought to have had, and was committed to the Mayor. The men were held for trial.

## A Sleighting Party Comes to Grief.

NEWARK, Feb. 4.—A sleighting party, consisting of twenty-four persons, was overturned into the mud at the corner of Market and Broad streets, late last night.

Among the injured were Mrs. Tillie Grabanski, aged 40, a sleighting party, who was thrown into the mud; Miss Minnie G. Rabant, of 76th Street, fractured the ribs; Joseph Sinner, aged 20, fractured his arm, and John Carney did a similar service for New York.

## New York and Netherland Birds Fight.

STAMFORD, Conn., Feb. 4.—A cocking main between New York and Connecticut birds took place near here last night, and the result made the New York men the richer. Most of the spectators were from the New York City and vicinity. The birds were twelve in all. Each side showed five birds. James Case, of New York, handled a bird named "The Hawk," and John Carney did a similar service for New York.

## Mr. Harrison Draws a Big Big Pension.

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 4.—Cassius C. Harrison, of North Hope, Butler County, has just drawn \$4,915.33 back pension at the Pittsburgh Pension Office, and will draw \$60 per month during the rest of his life. This is the largest amount ever paid through this office at one time. Harrison is afflicted with paralysis contracted in the army.

## Gen. Sheridan Coming to New York.

BOSTON, Feb. 4.—Lieut. Gen. Philip H. Sheridan, Col. M. Sheridan and Col. Hunt, of his staff, left Boston on the 10 o'clock train for New York, where they will stop at the Fifth Avenue Hotel until Monday, then resuming their journey to the capital.

## Mrs. "Doc" Will Get a Divorce.

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 4.—The Supreme Court, Chief Justice Dwyer, presiding, handed down a decision in the case of Mrs. Dwyer vs. her husband, granting the petition of Mrs. Florine A. Wilson.

## Killed While Constable.

George Kestner, a constable, was yesterday killed in a coasting accident on Tremont street. He was killed by a car driven by a man named L. L. last evening. His brains were dashed out against an axle of a carriage which he was coasting down the hill.

## Two More Cases of Small-Pox.

The health officials discovered last Thursday two cases of small-pox at 21 Bowery. The patients were Frank Harris and Bertha Eckhardt, both of whom were young girls. They were taken to North Brother Island.

## Hopkins Found Guilty.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 4.—The jury in the Hopkins case have returned a verdict of guilty.

## Police Capt. Siebert, of the Leon.

Station, has furnished exclusively for Monday's EVENING WORLD a story of intense interest, entitled "A Hot Run; or, Dr. Sloan's Prediction."

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